#### Overview of the Arizona Underground Storage, Savings and Replenishment Program



#### Recharge Program Overview

- Adding renewable water supplies to an aquifer (USF) for future use
- Renewable water source = Effluent, Surface Water or Central Arizona Project (CAP)
- Provides for an accounting system for recharged and recovered water

#### **Recharge Program Permits**

- Recharge Facilities Permits Two Types
  - Groundwater Savings Facilities (GSF)
  - Underground Storage Facilities (USF)
    - Managed USF
    - Constructed USF
- Water Storage Permits
- Recovery Well Permits

## Underground Storage Facilities (USF)

- A facility that adds renewable water supplies to an aquifer
- Water that is recharged into the ground, minus physical losses such as evaporation or transpiration, earns Long Term Storage Credits which can be pumped at a future date
- Two types of USFs
  - Managed USF
  - Constructed USF

# Underground Storage Facilities Managed

- Managed releases of source waters into a natural river course
- Without use of constructed devices
- No facility maintenance
- Do not get "credit" during times of storm water flows



**Lower Santa Cruz USF** 

# Underground Storage Facilities Managed





# **Constructed Underground Storage Facility (USF)**

- Incorporates constructed devices to direct and increase infiltration of source water
- Requires facility maintenance
- 3 main types
  - recharge basins
  - vadose zone recharge wells
  - aquifer storage & recovery (ASR) wells/ injection wells

# Constructed USFs Basin Recharge Facilities







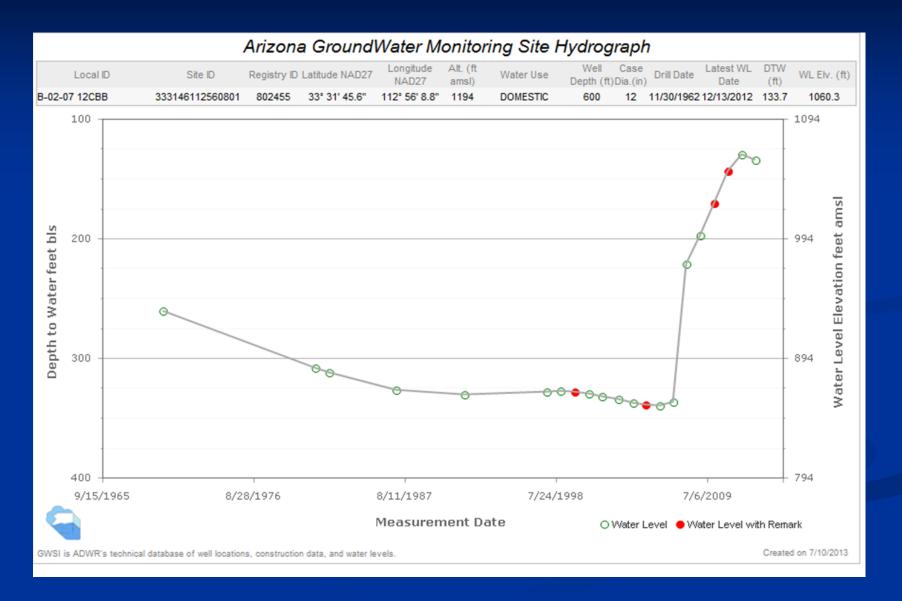


#### **Tonopah Recharge Facility**





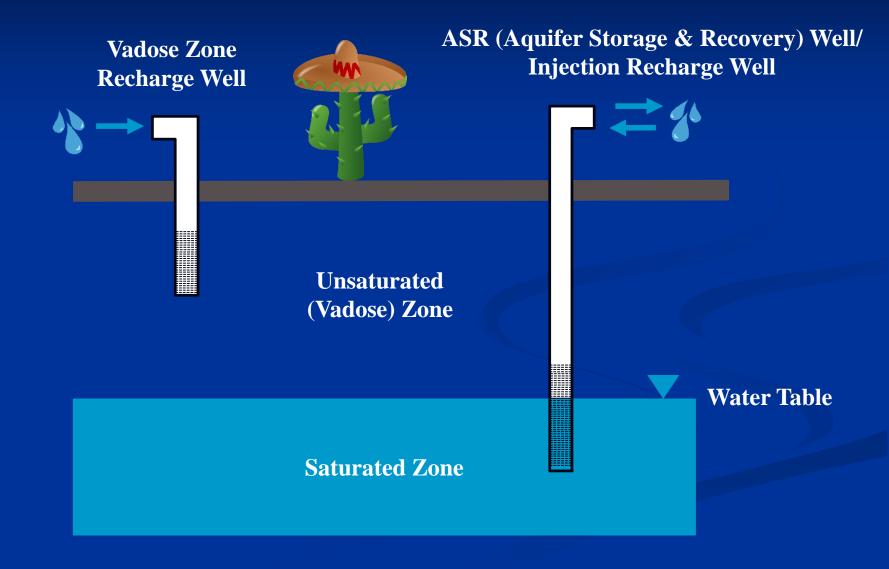
#### Tonopah Recharge Facility



## Constructed USFs Recharge Wells

- Vadose zone wells
- Injection wells
- Aquifer storage and recover wells (ASR wells)

#### Recharge Wells



## Constructed USFs Vadose Zone Well Facilities







# Constructed USFs ASR Well Facilities



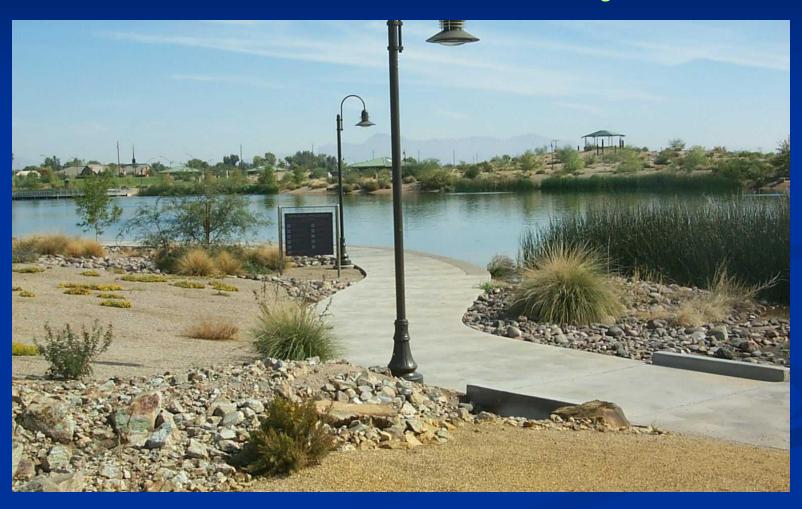




### Constructed USFs Non-Traditional Facilities

- Variety of miscellaneous constructed USFs
  - Multi-use recharge facilities
  - In-channel constructed recharge facilities
  - Facilities employing a combination of recharge methodologies at same site
- Allows flexibility based on water management needs, community needs and site characteristics

#### Constructed USFs Multi-Use Facility

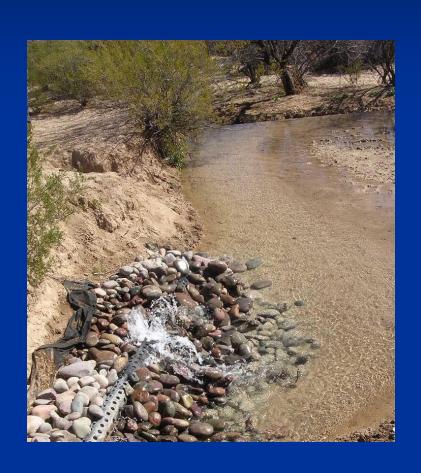


# Constructed USFs In-Channel Constructed Facility





# Constructed USFs In-Channel Constructed Facility



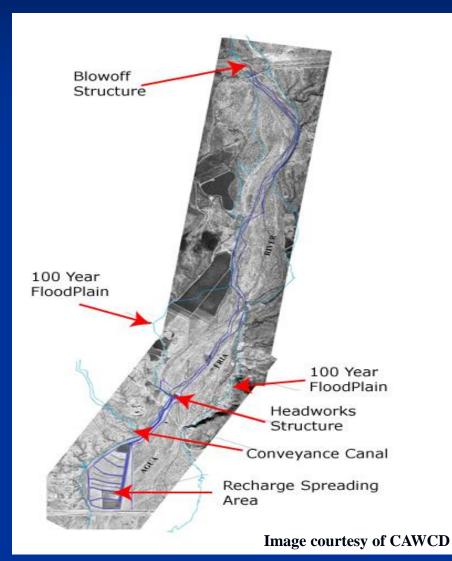


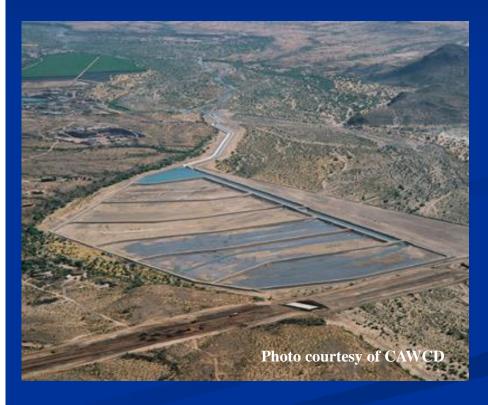
# Constructed USFs Combination Facility





## Constructed USFs Combination Facilities





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